(b) whether the Central Silk Board has finalized a draft document on the proposed Technology Mission for silk industry and if so, whether Government have examined the same; and

(c) how soon the proposed Technology Mission will be launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Central Silk Board is in the process of preparing a document for Technology Mission for Indian silk in consultation with various State Governments and stake holders of the industry. The document is in the initial stages and a lot of work and consultation is yet to be done. Therefore, it is not possible to tell the time of its launching at this stage.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER CORRECTING ANSWER TO QUESTIONS

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table a Statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th December, 2005 to Unstarred Question 2418 regarding "Development of Handloom Sector".

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (2004-2005) of the NIMI, Chennai and relates papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): Sir, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the National Instructional Media Institute (NIMI), Chennai, for the year 2004-05, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report. [Placed in Library. See No. LT 3705/06].

Notification of the Ministry of Home Affairs

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): Sir, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Registration of Foreigners Act, 1939, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Home Affairs Notification G.S.R. 737E